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TO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW IMMEDIATE

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CHEROKEE FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM THE SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: XGDS-1

TAGS: UR, US

SUBJECT: CALL AT MFA

1. YOU SHOULD CALL ON GROMYKO OR KORNIYENKO, DEPENDING ON THEIR AVAILABILITY AND YOUR DISCRETION, TO PROVIDE A READOUT ON THE BEGIN VISIT AND TO DISCUSS PLANS FOR MY TRIP TO MOSCOW.
2. YOU HAVE A SEPARATE CABLE (STATE 077949) CONTAINING A REPORT ON THE BEGIN VISIT WHICH YOU CAN DRAW ON AS YOU THINK APPROPRIATE. YOU SHOULD ALSO PROBE FOR MORE INSIGHTS INTO SOVIET CONTACTS WITH OTHER MIDDLE EAST LEADERS, PARTICULARLY ASSAD AND ARAFAT, BEYOND WHAT DOBRYNIN HAS PROVIDED.
3. YOU ARE AWARE OF THE EXCHANGES HERE ON MY VISIT. YOU SHOULD EXPLORE WITH GROMYKO HIS PREFERENCES AS TO SPECIFIC

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DATES AS WELL AS HIS VIEWS ON THE AGENDA. I AM THINKING OF DEPARTING WASHINGTON THE EVENING OF APRIL 22, ARRIVING IN MOSCOW APRIL 23, SPENDING THE REMAINDER OF THAT DAY RESTING, AND BEGINNING TALKS ON MONDAY THE 24TH. I WOULD EXPECT THE TALKS TO CONTINUE TO MID-DAY APRIL 26, AND WOULD RETURN TO WASHINGTON THAT DAY. AS TO AGENDA, I WOULD EXPECT IN DISCUSSIONS WITH BREZHNEV AND GROMYKO THAT WE

WOULD CONCENTRATE ON SALT, WITH SOME TIME DEVOTED ALSO TO THE MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA. OTHER ISSUES COULD BE DISCUSSED AS TIME PERMITS. IF GROMYKO WISHES TO DISCUSS OTHER MATTERS IN ANY DETAIL, I WOULD APPRECIATE HIS LETTING ME KNOW. AMONG THOSE ACCOMPANYING ME WILL BE HAL SAUNDERS, AND IT MIGHT PERHAPS BE USEFUL FOR HIM TO HAVE ADDITIONAL MEETINGS ON THE SIDE WITH HIS COUNTERPART. ON MIDDLE EAST MATTERS.

4. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, WE WILL BE ALERT TO ANY DEVELOPMENTS IN THE SHCHARANSKIY CASE WHICH MIGHT AFFECT MY PLANS. VANCE

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